

Attention Gov. Dewey

We can go right back to the beginning of your career as Governor, Mr. Dewey, to see how your Hooverism has blocked a decent housing program.

Remember how back in 1943, your first year in office, you said it wasn't enough to depend on public credit to build homes; private capital had to be "encouraged" to invest in housing?

Good enough! Only you "encouraged" private capital through passage of the so-called Urban Redevelopment Law, which has proven a flop, but "forgot" all about appropriating new credits for public housing that year.

Must have been embarrassing to you, Governor, when Sen. Tom Desmond of your own party threw in a bill that year appropriating the \$150,000,000 public housing credit still left from the fund set up by the Constitution.

Sen. Desmond said the idea was to allow communities to plan their post-war projects well in advance. You had to kill that one fast, didn't you Governor?

And your face must have been red when the same Sen. Desmond, official Senate spokesman on housing for your own party, announced bitterly on the floor, Feb. 8 of the following year, that your Administration was interested in public housing "only as a palliative to be used in extreme circumstances."

Is that why you dribbled out the available state housing funds in such small amounts as to make advance post-war planning impossible?

Is that why it took you six months after V-J Day even to make the first gesture in the housing crisis while veterans' groups and others were clamoring for action?

Is that why you confined your "emergency" actions to reconverting some military barracks?

Is that why your Republican congressional running mates crippled the Wyatt Housing Emergency bill in Congress, and stalled the long-range housing program?

That is good Hooverite doctrine, Governor, but it does not build homes!

Turn Gov. Dewey and his GOP pals out of office Nov. 5. Vote Communist and then Vote Labor on Row C.

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WHO HELPED GOERING CHEAT NOOSE?

By Joseph Clark

The American people want to know who is guilty of allowing Hermann Goering to cheat the gallows.

A chain of events points an accusing finger against those powerful men in government and the army who have been appeasing the fascists.

Goering swallowed a vial of potassium cyanide while Col. Burton C. Andrus, prison commandant, was walking across the prison yard to the death row block to read to him and the other condemned Nazis the sentence of death.

None of the prisoners had been told officially he was going to die yesterday morning.

Goering swallowed the poison while lying in his cot under the eyes of a guard. His wife had visited him not long before the date of execution. During the trial his lawyers had passed papers back and forth with Goering.

Last year, shortly after another Nazi criminal under American surveillance, Robert Ley, committed suicide, Goering boasted to his lawyer:

"I will commit suicide if I want to and I won't need any towel to do it."

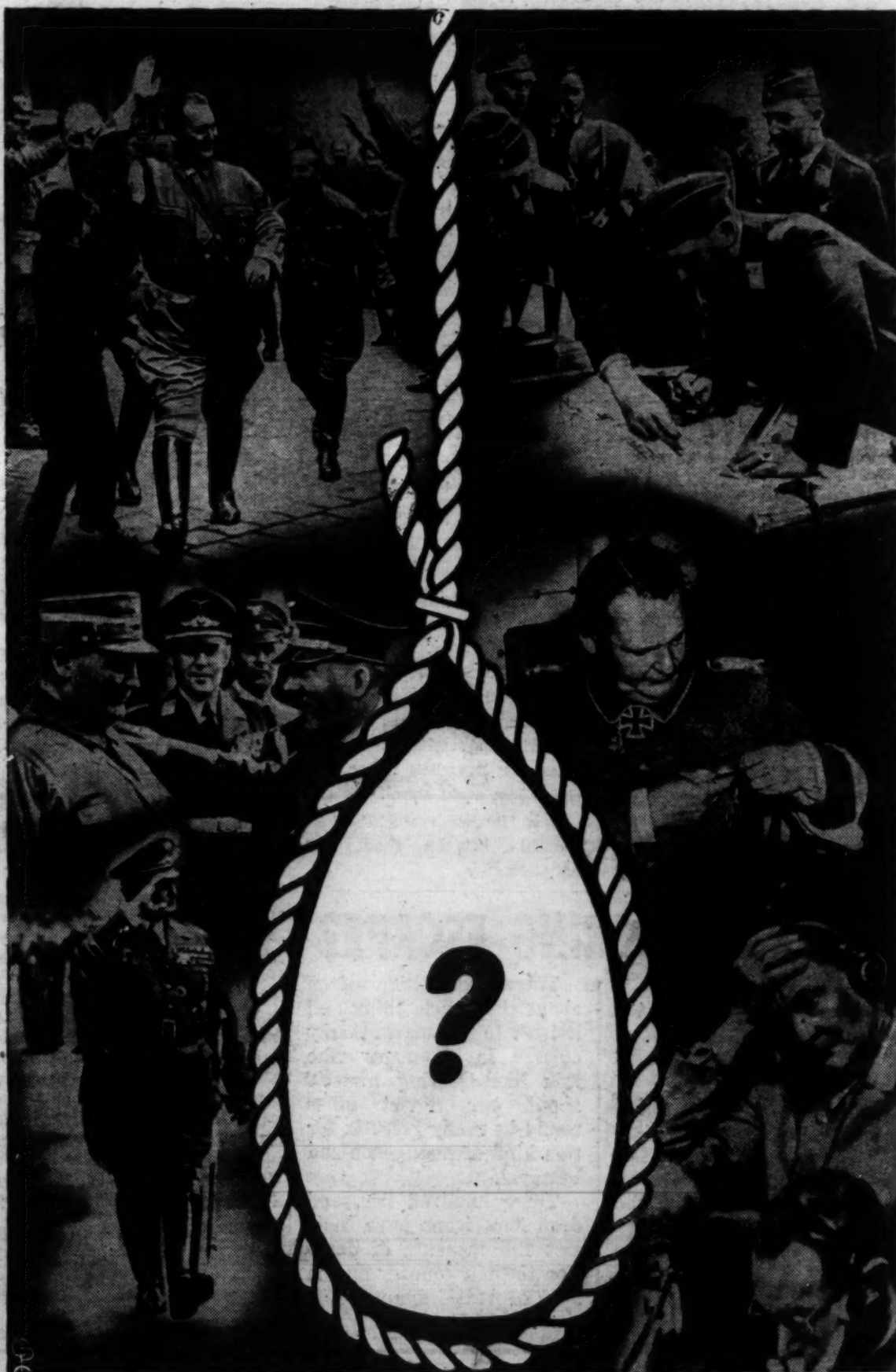
Who are the Americans who helped Goering make good his boast?

How did Goering learn the time of his execution?

Sen. Hugh Mitchell of Washington, on his return from Nuernberg last week, reported that U.S. Army officers were consorting with the wives of the Nazi criminals.

Col. Burton C. Andrus, U.S. commandant of the Nuernberg prison, was reported yesterday as saying:

"I am the security officer here but my ideas of security were not always fully practiced. Sometimes other orders from above kept me



The black trail of Hermann Goering that led him to death in a criminal's cell is vividly portrayed in the scenes above. The question still remains: who helped Goering escape the hangman's noose and find refuge in suicide?

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WORLD EVENTS

There Are More Than Eleven

AN EDITORIAL

TEN of the 11 doomed killers have been hanged by the neck until dead.

In the hearts of countless millions there is deep satisfaction that at least the 10 have paid for their crimes.

The pitiful remnants of those who survived in Nazi concentration camps know that some justice was done.

Those who lived under the most terrible tyranny in the annals of time, see the hanging of the 10 as a long-delayed act of retribution for the crimes against humanity committed by fascism.

American soldiers who suffered the heat of the desert, the snow of the Ardennes, the lash of machinegun bullets on countless beachheads, the whine of artillery—the cries of their dying comrades—finally see the day of justice when 10 of the Hitlerite leaders went to their doom.

Insofar as the Nuernberg verdicts were unanimous—they brought justice to the world in the hanging of the 10 instigators of World War II. Thus, where the allies who won the war were united in the peace, they were able to rid the world of some of the men who brought the horrors of fascism to humanity.

But all was not unity at Nuernberg. When Schacht, Von Papen and Fritzsche were released—despite Soviet objections—three of the worst Nazi criminals escaped justice.

This was a betrayal of those who had died that fascism might be wiped clean off the face of the earth.

The acquittal of the financier, the diplomat, the propagandist of Nazism robbed the American people of the fruits of Victory. Those Nazis, as well as Hess and others sentenced to jail, belonged on the gallows with the 10.

A still more insistent question which cries



WHOSE HAND slipped the poison capsule, concealed in this bullet shell, to Goering?

for an answer—is how Goering was able to cheat the gallows.

How was Goering able to learn the time of execution?

What officers or officials were implicated in the conspiracy which smuggled the poison vial into the prison and into the hands of Hitler's crown prince?

No matter what individuals are guilty of this crime against America and the whole anti-fascist world, this incident shows how powerful is the influence of appeasement which also brought freedom to Schacht, Von Papen and Fritzsche. It shows again, that while 10 were hanged FASCISM IS NOT DEAD and those who would appease fascism are still with us! The Hoovers and duPonts, organized in the American Action, as well as the Tafts and Vanderbergs, are determined to save the remnants of fascism abroad and to impose it upon the American people here.

The war we fought was against fascism. The peace we must win will be durable and just only if fascism goes the way of the 10 that were hanged.

Wherever bankers and industrialists conspire against the people, wherever our democratic liberties are threatened, wherever fascist regimes like Franco in Spain are supported, the victory we won on the battlefield is still not complete.

The somber courtyard where the 10 were hanged tells us a story. It is a story of victory and justice. But it is also a story of work still to be done. It is the great work of today—to destroy the remnants of fascism to defeat those who would appease fascism as they did before.

Soviets Cut Defense Fund, Raise Housing, Wage Budget

MOSCOW, Oct. 16.—The Supreme Soviet of the USSR prepared today to approve a first postwar Soviet budget which cut defense expenditures by nearly half, increased expenditures in housing and social welfare, increased wages, and more than doubled the appropriation for science. Minister of Finance A. G. Zverev, head of the budget commission, proposed before a joint session of the two parliamentary houses last night to slice defense expenditures from the 1944-45 war years' 137,800,000,000 rubles to about 70,000,000,000 rubles.

Despite the reduced defense appropriation, Zverev estimated that the total budget for the next fiscal year will be larger than last year's by 12,000,000,000 rubles. He proposed revenues of 330,400,000,000 and expenditures of 319,300,000,000, including 8,000,000,000 for higher wages and 5,000,000,000 for science.

Radio Moscow, in a broadcast heard in London, said more than 300,000,000 had been assigned for construction of new homes in Moscow alone.

"The enemies' plans that the Soviet Union should come out of the war weakened failed long ago. Now the hopes of enemies that the Soviet Union would be unable to cope with postwar difficulties are being smashed."

"The 1946 budget points to the unshaken strength of socialist economy and the undrainable forces of the Soviet regime."

Zverev listed the planned outlay for Russia's war-wrecked transportation facilities at 10,800,000,000 rubles. When Zverev concluded his budget speech, foreign diplomats in boxes above the speakers' rostrum rose and applauded.

Thirteen hundred delegates to the Council of the Union and Council of Nationalities crowded into the Kremlin hall to listen to Zverev's speech.

The delegates included women from the Caucasus, their heads draped in yellow and blue scarves, sun-tanned farmers from the Ukraine, muscular steel workers from the Urals, dark-skinned delegates from Central Asia and women from Uzbek and Turkmenia in silk-quilted dresses.

FRANCO SPAIN ISSUE STAYS ON UN COUNCIL AGENDA

The UN Security Council decided in closed session today to keep the Spanish and Iranian cases on its docket. The Soviet Union and Poland opposed all attempts to drop the Spanish issue from the agenda.

Belgium charged anew today that the Spanish government "is likely to create a genuine disturbance in Europe and to threaten the security of the victorious democratic nations."

In a letter to UN Secretary-General Trygve Lje, Belgian's Ambassador in Washington, Baron de Silvercruys, declared that Leon Degrelle, Belgian traitor, was hiding in Spain with the connivance of Spanish authorities.

He said in the letter, which will be forwarded to the Security Council, that Spanish officials, after giving early lip service to Belgian's request for Degrelle's return, were helping him avoid arrest. He cited it as a "further example" of the friendship between Franco and Nazi Germany.

WHO LET GOERING ESCAPE?

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from carrying out what I knew was needed."

Who were these higher-ups?

What is the chain which leads from men like Sen. Taft, who deplored the death sentence imposed on the Nazi leaders, to the minor officials and military men who allowed this to happen? Who are the officers who disgraced their uniforms by fraternizing with the wives of the Nazi murderers?

Those guilty in this case enabled mass murderer Goering to assume a mock pose of martyrdom among the German people.

There's something rotten about this whole thing and it isn't in Denmark. Army officers in Germany who talk like Goering himself about our Soviet allies would be ready recruits for this kind of negligence and betrayal.

Three hundred thousand dead Americans gave their last full measure of devotion to their country on the field of battle against fascism.

The appeasers of fascism in Nuernberg, Wall Street and in the very halls of the Senate have insulted the memory of our American dead. The guilty must be brought to account.

THEN...

TOKIO, Oct. 16 (UP).—Emperor Hirohito gave his approval on July 2, 1941, to Japanese plans for war against the United States and Great Britain, and presided at a conference on Sept. 6 of that year which tentatively set late October as the date for the initial attack, evidence before the War Crimes Tribunal revealed today.

NOW...

TOKYO, Oct. 16 (UP).—Emperor Hirohito visited Gen. Douglas MacArthur at the U. S. Embassy today for the third time, reportedly to discuss the new Japanese Constitution. A source close to the Imperial Household said he believed Hirohito told MacArthur of his gratification over the passage of the new Constitution by the Diet last week.



WORLD BRIEFS

U. S. Bars Czech Loan In Pressure Move

NEGOTIATIONS for a loan with Czechoslovakia were broken off by the United States. State Department officials revealed discussions on a \$50,000,000 U. S. export-import bank loan have been suspended. In addition, \$40,000,000 of American surplus property earmarked for the Czechs will be assigned elsewhere. State Department officials said they objected to comments in the Czech press and to the stand taken by Czechoslovakia at the Paris peace conference.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM will be maintained in Yugoslavia, Vladimir Bakaric prime minister of Croatia announced. Yugoslav newspapers gave prominent display to his statement that the government does not want to destroy the Catholic church. "We desire only," he stated, "that our priests should be directed only by

the religious needs of their people and listen to their people and follow them in their political direction."

BYRNES AND MOLOTOV are on their way to America to attend another Big Four foreign ministers' meeting in New York, Nov. 5. The Soviet foreign minister will also attend the UN Assembly meeting opening at Lake Success Oct. 23. Byrnes said he was confident the Big Four could find agreement. Molotov said, "I hope that at New York we shall be able to complete the work left unfinished at Paris."

MARSHAL TITO announced Yugoslavia will submit the problem of Trieste to UN. Radio Belgrade also broadcast Yugoslavia could not sign the Italian peace treaty if the clause on Trieste is left unchanged.

The Elephant's Burden

By Alan Max

Senator Robert A. Taft, Washington, D. C.

Heartfelt condolences upon the death of 11 Nazis. May your high ideals sustain you in this moment of anguish. You can have comfort in the knowledge that at least Goering died the death of a gentleman. As you have always said: 'No noose is good news.'

ALAN MAX

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Congress Told Political Action Is Union Duty

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen today asserted labor's right to engage in political action, and reminded the House Campaign Expenditure Committee of lavish funds used by big business to mold public opinion and influence elections.

"Our members have learned long ago that politics directly affect their security and well-being," said Hugh Wilkins, BRT legislative statistician, "and they, therefore, expect their organization to advance their interests by political action as well as by economic action."

Noting the extensive propaganda campaign of big corporations to influence elections, Wilkins said his union "would be remiss in its obligation to its membership if it failed to bluntly reveal the issues, expose labor's enemies, and point to candidates who can be expected to re-

spond more readily to popular public will."

He charged giant firms like General Motors are violating the law when they use investors' money for political propaganda instead of producing automobiles.

"The committee should not forget that, in the matter of corporations indulging in activities designed to influence elections—newspapers and magazines are themselves corporations," Wilkins said.

"They are big business. They are becoming bigger and bigger as the number of newspapers in this country declines and the remaining few grow and enlarge their circulation."

Wilkins contrasted the Brotherhood's frank and open participation in politics with the concealed, anonymous methods of big business. He pointed to the newly-organized "Tool Owners Union," a reactionary business group.

Defend Ceilings, OPA Consumer Body Urges

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Consumers were urged today to help OPA resist pressure for removal of controls on rent and building materials. The appeal was issued by the Consumers Advisory Committee of the OPA which said the present

plight of consumers was the culmination of "pressures by powerful economic interests, and the result of an almost unworkable price control act passed by Congress." The Consumers Advisory Committee was es-

tablished by OPA when the agency was first set up and includes 130 leading American women, headed by Dr. Hazel Kyrk of the University of Chicago. Its members are leaders of such organizations as the League of Women Voters, League of Women Shoppers, YWCA, American Association of University Women, NAACP, and trade union auxiliaries.

"The Consumers Advisory Committee calls upon all consumers to take the initiative and responsibility which the President's action has forced upon them," the statement said, "to organize for their own protection, to work with local consumer committees and build up a strong consumer movement which will protect the standard of living and promote the welfare of American consumers."

URGE USE OF SUBSTITUTES

Consumers were urged to use substitutes for exorbitantly priced goods, to demand grade labelling, and to do without every unnecessary article whose price has risen unreasonably.



PAC'S BOOKS are open, C. B. Baldwin, executive vice-chairman of National Citizens PAC, told stories of the House Campaign Investigating Committee. Although the financial records are on file, the jittery Congressmen insisted on detailed accounting from PAC groups, and threaten "investigations" in hundreds of districts just before elections.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 16.—OPA chief Paul Porter ruled today that price ceilings will have to stay on hides and leather for the present, despite the new order decontrolling livestock and its products.

Porter said OPA does not regard hides and leather as strictly "products" of livestock, and anyway they are too scarce to be decontrolled just now.

Democratic National Chairman Robert E. Hannegan took up the cudgels for his party to reiterate President Truman's charge that the Republicans in Congress sabotaged the Administration's price control program and "recklessly invited an inflationary breakthrough."

Hannegan said GOP congressmen and senators "voted four to one" to block the original price control bill sought by the administration and he predicted that the meat issue would boomerang on the Republicans in the November elections.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson said here today that meat would be available in neighborhood stores within two weeks but at higher prices.

EXPECT CONTINUED SHORTAGE

Anderson predicted meat would not flood the market as it did during the July and August price control holiday because there is no incentive for farmers to beat the price deadline as was the case at that time.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—Ralph Helstein, president of the CIO Packinghouse Workers, said removal of price controls meant that "the meat trust has won its strike" and the American people has "lost a major battle."

"Senators Taft, Wherry and their friends," he said, "can now look forward with confidence to the depression for which they worked so hard and earnestly and the coming of which is now being accelerated."

OPA announced tonight that price ceilings will be removed on a long list of edible oils, including margarine, shortening, mayonnaise,

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—Cattle reached an all-time high at the Chicago Livestock Market today of \$32 to \$35.25 a hundredweight. A total of 9,500 cattle entered the stockyards today, chiefly by truck, with a rush by rail expected to develop in a few days.

salad dressing and cooking and salad oils.

DETROIT, Oct. 16.—Richard T. Leonard, UAW-PAC director, declared that "labor was more determined than ever to appear at the polls Nov. 5, and cast a vote against profiteers, monopolists and their stooges in Congress."

Leonard stated: "Labor knows where to place the responsibility for the holdup which the meat industry has gotten away with. In Michigan the accessories to this robbery of American people by the big packers are the Republican members of Congress."

Bare Big Fund To Defeat Progressives

Wireless to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 16.—The defeat of Representatives Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) and Hugh DeLacy (D-Wash) and all other progressives is the main aim of American Action, Inc., the nation's newest big business pro-fascist organization, Edward A. Hayes, its chairman, last night told the House Committee on Campaign Expenditures.

Hayes, former national commander of the American Legion, denied his group raised a million dollars to use in the current elections but admitted it had a budget of \$100,000 to be used against progressive Congressmen.

Hayes appeared before the committee last night in a surprise hearing at which only a small number of reporters were present. Big business figures he identified with American Action, Inc., included Robert E. Wood of Sears-Roebuck, founder of American First; Edward Harriss, New York cotton broker; Robert Christenberry, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; Robert S. Dondon of the American Legion.

Merwin K. Hart, Franco supporter denounced by Harold Ickes as fascist-minded, was head of the organization until September, Hayes said.

Ass't War Secretary Confers on New Trials

NUERNBERG, Oct. 16.—Assistant Secretary of War Howard C. Peterson conferred with officials today on the forthcoming trials of German industrialists and high political figures.

Peterson talked with Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor, Justice Robert Jackson's deputy in charge of the future trials, and announced the cases would be brought before a court next month.

Smaller AFL Unions Challenge Big Shots on Per Capita Raise

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—After an all-day debate, the AFL convention here defeated by a close vote a proposal to equalize per capita tax payments for all unions. Many delegates from small unions in the AFL directly challenged the all-powerful executive council for the first time in recent years. Dele-

gates from the small unions openly charged the executive council with efforts to maintain the domination of the AFL by a handful of the large unions, such as the Carpenters, Teamsters, United Mine Workers, etc.

The council had recommended an increase of per capita payments to two cents per member per month for the first 200,000 members and 1½ cents for members in excess of 200,000. Previously unions paid 1½ cents for the first 300,000 members and one cent per member over 300,000.

CHALLENGE HIERARCHY

Control of a convention by the AFL hierarchy was threatened for the first time since the departure of the unions which formed the CIO.

In an effort to stem what appeared to be developing into an open rebellion top leaders put up executive council members David Dubinsky, Daniel Tobin, William Hutcheson and William Green to high-pressure the convention into adoption of its recommendation.

Hutcheson made it clear that the real issue at stake was whether or not the delegates would continue to uphold the executive council.

With all the pressure of the council brought to bear, an amendment to equalize the per capita payments for all unions was defeated by a vote of 180 to 104.

Unions which waged the fight against the council report included delegates from the pattern makers,

hotel and restaurant, auto, typographical and potters unions and a Buffalo federal local. The minority report was made by James Killen, president of the Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Workers.

"We have heard president Green say at many conventions that this is a great open forum. We are taking advantage of this to bring in this minority report," said Killen, who received great applause.

Charging discrimination against small unions, Killen declared there was no need in the AFL for "special interests for whom there should be special legislation in order to command their support."

Killen told the delegates that a special meeting of the committee on law was called to reverse the original decision of the committee for the minority position. Secretary-Treasurer Meany admitted he had lobbied for the change and "made no bones about it."

ANTI-COMMUNIST REPORT

Additional action by the convention included adoption of a lengthy report, on Communism without any discussion and only a handful of delegates voting.

This action followed earlier adoption of an anti-Communist resolution, from which a call to seek out and expel Communists from AFL unions was deleted on recommendation of the resolutions committee. Substituted instead was an endorsement of anti-Communist activities conducted by affiliated unions.

A resolution "to do all in our

power to urge President Truman and Secretary of State Byrnes to break relations with Franco Spain" introduced by the Painter's Union, was referred to the Executive Council.

Acting on a resolution urging the abolition of Jimcrow locals, the convention reaffirmed the 1943 convention position which expressed the "hope" that affiliated unions would act on the matter. President A. Phillip Randolph of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, who introduced the resolution, made a long speech on conventions objectors but failed to say a word on this resolution.

The convention re-elected president William Green, secretary treasurer George Meany and all other incumbent members of the executive council.

Expect New China Negotiations

Communist Gen. Chou En-lai and Carson Chang, of the Democratic League, were expected to return to Nanking from Shanghai to resume negotiations with Chiang Kai-shek, according to the United Press.

Chiang opened a three-pronged drive with troops armed and transported with American supplies on Antung, Communist-held city near the Korean border. Communist troops were reported on the move from Harbin to Numan, which was called a threat to Changchun.

AFL Group Urges World Labor Unity

A plea to the AFL to abandon its "isolationist" position in the international labor movement was addressed to each of the Federation's Chicago convention delegates yesterday by the Committee for AFL participation in the World Federation of Trade Unions.

The committee, with offices at 101 Henry St., Brooklyn, consists of some 500 AFL officials. The appeal is signed by chairman Courtney D. Ward, secretary-treasurer Thomas Wilson and executive secretary Allan Ross.

Accompanying the letter is a list of WFTU affiliates from 60 countries with a total membership of 71,000,000. This is cited as refutation of the falsehood spread by the AFL's leaders that the WFTU is "Soviet dominated."

As further proof, the letter describes the WFTU's executive committee, setup of 21 members of which the USSR's unions have only three members.

SHOCKED

"We were shocked to read in the press that the AFL leaders remain adamant in their opposi-

tion to this federation of trade unions of the entire world," says the letter. "It is even more startling that these leaders propose that the AFL set itself against legitimate trade unions, with emissaries to disrupt the unity of world labor. Such a step, we are sure, is not only contrary to our interests, but will not be condoned by the overwhelming majority of the membership."

CITE CANADA

This was in reference to the AFL convention's adoption of a report calling for a war upon the WFTU and the setting up of offices in Europe as centers for AFL efforts to influence labor leaders.

The committee charged that the AFL has not permitted a full and democratic discussion on the pro-

gram of the WFTU and affiliation with it.

"Wherever open and free discussion takes place the members and their leaders can see vast advantages in a strong all-embracing world federation," the letter continues, "that is why the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress—an AFL affiliate—voted overwhelmingly to affiliate with the WFTU."

The attitude of some AFL officials that they cannot and will not sit at the same table with Soviet labor leaders "is in direct contradiction to the avowed aims of the American people," the letter adds. "It is a refutation of the aim of the United Nations."

The letter urges that the problem of international affiliation be discussed in the locals of the AFL.

AFL PARLEY BOOS OPPONENT OF FEPC; VOTES RESOLUTION

By Federated Press

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—A sharp verbal exchange over FEPC legislation marked almost the sole debate here yesterday as delegates to the 65th AFL convention routinely disposed of more than a score of resolutions by adopting them or referring them to the executive committee for further consideration.

Interruption to the placid procedure came when Joseph Marshall of the International Hod Carriers & Common Laborers Union took the floor to answer a speech in support of FEPC by Milton P. Webster of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Webster had alleged that discrimination existed against Negroes and that it should be abolished. Marshall indignantly arose to state that his union did not discriminate and said he resented Webster's remarks.

Marshall stated that porters "beg for money" rather than seek higher wages. The delegates broke into sustained booing.

"Boo all you want . . ." the hodcarriers' official shouted.

He was booed even more loudly.

The convention passed the resolution reaffirming AFL support of legislation for a permanent FEPC.



Signing Up for March on Albany: AVC member actor John Beal of "Voice of the Turtle" fame (behind table) and Helen Craig, star of "Lutesong," sign up veterans for Saturday's "March on Albany." The American Veterans Committee initiated the march, which will demand Dewey call a special session to act on housing. Trains to Albany will leave Grand Central Station at 9 a.m. Saturday and return same day. Fare is \$5 round trip.

Local 65 Textile Strike Reply to Bosses Front

The general walkout yesterday of New York textile converter workers climaxed three weeks of vigorous, effective strike action by CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Union Local 65 in answer to anti-union employer fronts in the dry goods and textile industries.

On Sept. 30, 500 workers employed in the shops of the Downtown Dry Goods Jobbers Association voted unanimously to walk out when member firms of the Association refused to bargain in good faith with the union. All 80 Asso-

pointed out that the so-called increase had a joker attached. The "increases" were to be made at the expense of a system of special bonuses existing in the industry which would in effect actually result in a wage cut for most of the dry goods workers.

Textile workers, indignant at the rejection of Mayor O'Dwyer's compromise proposals, voted unanimously on Oct. 1 to open strike action and ask for their original contract demands which included

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N. C. Strikers Win Mixed Jury

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Oct. 16.—Five Negroes and seven white men are hearing evidence here in the case against an international representative of CIO Food Tobacco and Agricultural Union and three Negro workers charged with disorderly conduct on a Piedmont Leaf House picketline.

At FTA attorneys' insistence, Judge J. A. Rousseau called a special jury panel of 25 including 10 Negroes to augment the regular panel.

The four were arrested last August after more than 3000 pickets, the majority of them Negroes stopped company officials from wheeling a bulldozing machine through the gates.

An Urgent Appeal

A staff member of our paper, who is a veteran, is in a serious difficulty. His wife expects a baby soon and they live in a furnished room. Unless they find an apartment, at once, they will be forced to move to another city. We are anxious not to lose this member from our staff. That is I am making this unusual appeal to our readers to write to me if they know of any vacancy anywhere.

MORRIS CHILDS, Editor.

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- 2—Have your name appear in the Greeter Section —25. If you are a club "active" or a shop steward or if you work in a mass organization, collect names for this edition. A special list may be had upon request.

NEW YORK

Textile Converting Industry Struck



Before Cops Attacked: Shortly after this photo was taken yesterday, police on foot and mounted attacked picket line of 5,000 members of CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Union Local 65, staged in support of 200 New York Merchandise Co. strikers. Negro organizer Henry Hamilton was slugged and arrested. Strikers are fighting for union recognition and wage raises.

The New York textile converting industry was struck yesterday when 1,200 members of Local 65, CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Union, walked off their jobs at noon. If the strike is prolonged it will tie up the entire garment industry, union officials said.

Strike action was voted at a meeting Tuesday night to back demands for a \$48 weekly minimum, a gen-

eral \$16 wage increase, \$10 retroactive to June 1, and the closed shop. A number of individual firms had been on strike since Oct. 10 after employers had turned down compromise proposals by Mayor O'Dwyer.

Picketing will be maintained on a round-the-clock basis, union officials announced after a meeting at 1 p.m. yesterday. Strikers will parade through the garment center at 7 a.m. today, after which pickets will be maintained at buildings along Seventh Avenue and Broadway where the converting firms are located.

Textile dye plants in Paterson,

Passaic and Lodi, N. J., will also be picketed, officials said, to prevent shipment of goods.

Twenty seven shops which have signed on the Mayor's proposals will not be struck. The strike may be widened by extension of picketing to non-union shops, spokesmen indicated.

David Livingston, organizational director of the union, said the strikers were prepared to stay out beyond the first of the year.

A conference yesterday at the office of the State Mediation Board, 250 W. 57 St., failed to produce any results.

Cops Attack Pickets, Arrest Organizer

Mounted police yesterday attacked a mass picket line of members of CIO Wholesale and Warehouse Workers, Union, Local 65, in front of the New York Merchandise Co., 32 W. 23d St. Thomas Hamilton, Negro union organizer, was arrested and slugged.

Hamilton, who was booked on charges of disorderly conduct, was later released on \$500 bail after a number of stitches were taken in his scalp.

Yesterday's police attack followed a similar action Tuesday when police rode down 5,000 pickets and arrested Organizer Al Evanoff on charges of disorderly conduct. The police attacked when the picket line

was extended beyond the limits of the company plant.

Union officials explained that it was impossible to hold 5,000 marchers within the limits which police attempted to impose.

The 200 workers of the company walked out yesterday after weeks of fruitless negotiations for union recognition, \$15 wage increases, \$40 minimum for office workers, \$46 for warehouse employes and \$52 for inside salesmen.

LOCAL 65 TEXTILE STRIKE REPLY TO BOSSES' FRONT

(Continued from Page 4)

\$48 minimums and a \$16 raise.

The Dry Goods Association has taken its story to the press in full page ads while the textile group holds secret meetings, in approved NAM style, to plan full-time anti-union activity.

An ad placed by the dry goods group in last week's New York Post contained a number of flagrant misstatements. The textile employers, members of the Association of Uptown Converters, resorted to the circulation of numerous rumors in the textile market to the effect that

struck textile firms were shipping as usual (untrue because Teamster locals which carry goods for the struck Textile firms have pledged and are giving Local 65 strikers full support); that firms which the union announced as signed didn't sign up (untrue because the union stands ready to show proofs to the press of signed-up firms); and that the bosses are wonderful people who would be only too happy to give huge wage increases but because of Dave Livingston, organization director of the union, they won't do it.

Timone Report Called Disgrace

The report of the Mayor's Committee on Unity whitewashing the appointment of George Timone, accused of fascist sympathies, to the Board of Education, was called "a disgrace" by Prof. Lyman Bradley, chairman of the Commission on Civil Rights in Education of the Civil Rights Congress of New York.

"The report of the Mayor's Committee on Unity, whitewashing the appointment of Franco-sympathizer George Timone to the Board of Education raises the question of 'unity' of whom and for what?" Bradley said. "We think the Committee's report is a disgrace. We call upon Mayor O'Dwyer to disregard its Franco apologetics and rescind his appointment of Timone."

"A meeting of the Commission on Civil Rights in Education of CRCNY will be held within the next few days to map out a militant campaign to secure rescinding of the appointment, and the appointment of a qualified Negro to the other opening which already exists on the Board."

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In Letter From the Readers

By Mike Gold

CATCHING UP ON THE MAIL belatedly, I find a letter from Amergio Perrotti, of the Bronx Unity Club. Comrade Perrotti liked a column written on the passing of Joseph M. Patterson of the Daily News. Comrade Perrotti collected \$12 from his shopmates under the "inspiration" of this beautiful elegy for a "social skunk," as he terms the late editor.

Thank you, and thank the shop friends, Comrade Amerigo!

We do not live among the luxuries possessed by a hereditary millionaire like the late Patterson. Neither do we own a newspaper that prints all the comics and racing results and also spreads Nazi ideas among 2,000,000 reading dupes every morning.

At the same time we have retained our human honor. Our children will need never to blush for us, or to spit on our memories in the bright future.

WE, OUR \$12 and our obscure, painful and sacrificial toil and trouble have been assigned the better portion of living. These Pattersons can well envy us. We are the vanguard who will bring peace and brotherhood to the human race. And we spread the Daily Worker, not the Daily News. That's like saying we are men, not beasts. It is better to be a human being than to be a fascist, is it not?

From San Antonio, Texas, a young authoress writes a letter in response to a literary column. Wish I could print it in full, but space forbids. I will be happy when we can have a daily page of workers' letters in the paper, letters of debate, discussion, description, job reports from the factory, fields and mines.

"In my two short years of experience as a writer," says Miss Leonora Sweetland, enclosing an interesting poem on Jimcrows, "I have at least learned this: that if I write stories showing the people submissively enduring the social unendurable, these stories will often find acceptance, but if I write about the people's fighting against oppression, then the editors seem unwilling to publish."

"A writer here in Texas may start on the right track but he soon learns to detour if he wants to survive. A few nights ago our local Kaltenborn discussed writers and artists in the USSR, and said there was a purge on there. It could never happen here, he said, because our writers are free to discuss anything and to express themselves. He forgot to mention the little fact that the radio, the newspapers, the publishing houses, etc., are mostly monopoly owned and foster freedom of expression that is favorable only to monopolists."

COMRADE LEONORA has written a novel, *And So Flows the Brazos*, which may soon find publication with Great Concord publishers.

Earl Cornelius, a Harlem singer who leads a group of young en-

tertainers called "Stars of Tomorrow," writes in to say Amen to the same column on poetry that inspired Leonora Sweetland to letter writing.

"Dear Mr. Gold: Your article makes me want to shout, Amen! It is such a message as we are trying to bring home to our minority groups. With the love of music we wish to combine education for democracy in a non-political organization."

"We feel that no voice is too weak, no age too tender, no effort too small in trying to get all to dedicate themselves to work for a land of brotherhood. The enemy, however, often uses these groups to fight each other. Old God Economics completes the desolation. There is a real need for education among the minority groups in the great lessons of unity and struggle."

Ah, Brother Cornelius, there you have put a finger on the sore spot. We still need to learn how to bring our message to everyone in America. Never was there a time when the people so craved enlightenment on the great social and political and cultural problems. But we must learn to speak in the common tongue, and we must catch some of the fervor for education that animated the early missionaries of socialism. Thank you for writing.

LETTER FROM a worker in Molalla, Ore., typical because he busts out in poetry. A man in jail, the army, or in any emotionally tense situation takes to verse, for some reason. It is an escape, it is the safety valve that keeps the boiler from exploding. A workingclass paper or magazine will receive a hundred poems to one bit of prose for this same reason. It is a tough and dreary life, too often, this being a worker and living from week to week, with little or no security.

"I read your splendid articles and think you are a very able literary critic," writes the Oregon comrade, F. E. Mauritz. "If I am not imposing, would like for you to tell me what is wrong with the enclosed verses? I am just a worker, not a writer, however I get hot in the collar sometimes and write a few letters and sometimes my letters run into verse. . . . I don't know music, don't know whether these lines enclosed would fit a piece of song, or are correct in any way. Please tell me, please correct my mistakes, even if you have to scratch out every line. Am I wasting my time? Thank you, and more power to your pen."

What can one reply to hundreds of such requests a year? It would require a literary bureau to guide these comrades in their writing. The need is real, however. Writing, if nothing else, can be as great a source of emotional satisfaction as music, when practised by amateurs. But a little technical guidance is as necessary as in music. Wish I had time, Comrade.

PESTBROOK WIGLER, ROVING REPORTER



"To Pestbrook—in remembrance of his courageous fight against OPA."—Signed, National Cattlemen's Association.

REACTION PLANNING WAY OUT FOR FRANCO

By Juan Gomez Doran

THE FRANCO GOVERNMENT, while continuing to jail and torture countless Spanish Communists, has just granted unconditional freedom to Joaquin Maurin, Trotskyite leader, who was jailed as a traitor by the Republic.

At the same meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers, the Falangists also decided to free Cipriano Mera who, in March, 1939, as commander of a Republican brigade, threw open the gates of Madrid to the Franco murderers.

This decision is especially significant in the light of a meeting in London between Franco's Ambassador, Domingo Barcena, and Lt. Col. Segismundo Casado who led the betrayal of the Negrin Government which stifled the people's armed resistance.

Barcena is reported by the British Febus agency to have offered to reinstate Casado on the active rolls of the Spanish Army.

The timing of these events is not accidental. Both are part of a Falangist-British-American plan to save Spanish reaction through a Greek-type, pseudo-democratic solution. Anglo-American reaction expects to come more openly to the aid of Spanish fascism by concealing Franco's Nazi beginnings.

Its efforts to isolate the Spanish Republican government-in-exile from the resistance forces inside Spain suffered a setback when the Alliance of Democratic Forces, responding to the will of the great majority of Spaniards, reaffirmed its confidence in the Giral Government and its determination to reestablish the democratic republic in Spain.

But Franco and his foreign protectors don't give up. While intensifying persecution of Communists and leading anti-fascists, their press is calling on "Socialists, Anarchists, Republicans and separatists to collaborate with the Falange in the anti-Communist campaign," offering them posts in a "reformed" government supported by England and the U. S.

It would be hard to find a better assistant for such projects than Joaquin Maurin, who organized the Barcelona putsch in May, 1937, which, combined with a Franco military offensive, almost defeated the Republic's cause. Or Cipriano Mera whose defense before a Franco court in 1932 was that he had let Moors and Italians into Madrid and been directly responsible for the execution of Conesa y

— Press Roundup —

'Trib' Admits to Need of 4 Power Prior Agreement

THE HERALD TRIBUNE in estimating the Paris peace conference admits: "The hollowness of the mere massing of majorities, of professed appeals to 'world opinion' (which does not exist), of most of the other devices upon which Western policy has relied, has been thoroughly and skillfully exposed by Soviet diplomacy. Where there was not prior great-power agreement, the conference, for all its apparatus, was powerless. . . ." It reminds the Soviet Union that the U. S. and Great Britain also have the power of veto. In the not so distant past the Tribune didn't consider this dilemma beyond solution. At the time of the UN discussions on Iran it suggested that all nations can work together only on the basis of "prior great power agreement." It was necessary then, and even more so now.

THE TIMES recalls that the condemned Nazis "rationalized their crimes . . . in a sea of patriotic oratory." It, therefore, warns "against philosophies and systems which convert men into monsters of the Nazi pattern." Why not name outfits like American Action Inc., which promotes native fascist beliefs, crusades for the defeat of Marcanonio and DeLacey . . . all in a deluge of patriotic oratory?

PM'S Victor H. Bernstein specifies the unfinished business after the executions: "So long as those who helped the 11 rise to power are still free, the trial must go on. . . . Until fascism hangs from the gallows, and not merely 11 fascists, the Nuremberg trial is still Unfinished Business."

THE DAILY MIRROR'S Drew Pearson reveals that while the big cattlemen were starving the nation they were fattening their livestock at taxpayers' expense. The U. S. provides them "145,000,000 acres of Western States public land" with the public footing the bill.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM reports that prices are zooming, but it comforts its readers that "mama will regulate prices." All mama has to do is starve her children!

THE SUN continues to defend the meat trust strike for higher prices and tells Truman to go down to the stockyards if he wants instructions on how to deal with meat. If Truman talked to the stockyard workers they would have asked him to take over the meat on the hoof and the meat in the yards for the nation; if he talked to the Sun's friends, the meat packers they would have told him to do what he did.

THE POST suggests to the Democrats in New York State and elsewhere it's time they "took the offensive away from the Republicans by attacking the real issues of the campaign."

Worth Repeating

An editorial in the Huntington, W. Va., *Herald Advertiser*, Oct. 6, 1946, comments on J. Edgar Hoover's red-baiting:

"Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, in a speech attacking communism last week, made one of the most ironically amusing statements of his career when he said: 'In our vaunted tolerance for all peoples, the Communist has found our "Achilles heel." Where, we wonder, did Mr. Hoover find all this "vaunted tolerance" he talks about? Was he in Lexington, Miss., on July 30, when a Negro was lynched for allegedly stealing a saddle? Was he down South when aged and crippled Negroes were trampled on the streets by a white mob, or when another white mob lined up two Negroes and their wives and shot them? Presumably not."



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GOP 'Stop Thief' Cry

THE reply of Republican Chairman Carroll Reece to the President's speech on meat can be summed up as the familiar "stop thief" cry.

Whatever else might be said about the President's position, or of his failure to take resolute measures in time to assure the people meat, he did fix the blame where it belongs. In his speech he rightly pointed his finger upon the profiteering Meat Trust and the Congress Tories who followed the lead of Senators Taft and Wherry.

Had real price control been continued, without the summer-time interruption or crippling amendments; had the GOP gang in Congress not encouraged hoarding and a slowdown in production by its promise a year ago of an end of price control, the story would have been different.

Having done all the damage they could, the Tories now hope that the people forget and that every steer led to slaughter will count as a new Republican vote.

The entire policy of the Deweys, Tafts and Wherries, of crippling control legislation so it would be neither control nor decontrol, was designed to build up for the situation we have today.

Even now, as Reece tries to shift the spotlight of blame from the GOP, he and his associates are screaming for immediate abandonment of all controls. What will that lead to?

Yesterday's New York Times business review indicates that the new Republican promises to wipe out all controls, will cause manufacturers to withhold shipments of goods on the theory that later uncontrolled prices would be higher. And this is the kind of thinking whirling in the minds of industrialists and GOP strategists at a moment when stocks and warehouses have a total of 37 billion dollars worth of hoarded goods.

This is the blackmail that the people must answer on Nov. 5 by snowing under with ballots the candidates of America's chief center of reaction.

In New York the voters have a chance to strike a blow against those responsible for this uncontrolled inflation by voting the ALP line, Row C.

Threat to Democracy

SEPARATION of church and state is a basic tenet of the American constitution and government. It is a principle that was accepted in most democratic countries after a long history of struggle against feudal absolutism.

Indeed the free exercise of religion is endangered wherever the church and the government are merged or when any denomination seeks to intervene in the affairs of government.

That is why Americans will take a grave view of the decision of the Vatican to excommunicate all persons who participated in the trial of Archbishop Stepinac.

This can mean that a Catholic citizen may not take part in a trial, as a witness or juror, to uphold his country's laws, if the hierarchy in Rome objects.

The Yugoslav archbishop was tried and convicted of supporting the Croatian Ustachi who collaborated with the Germans to terrorize their own land.

How serious this Vatican action is can be seen in the marked contrast of this order of excommunication with the blessings that have been bestowed on Francisco Franco. The Spanish dictator's hands are red with the blood of Catholic and non-Catholic Spaniards who fought for their country against the German-Italian invasion. He was never excommunicated—but has received the blessings of the hierarchy.

Even more significant is the fact that not a single Catholic official of the Nazi state has been excommunicated in Germany. Hitler, responsible for the murder of millions never received this sentence of the church.

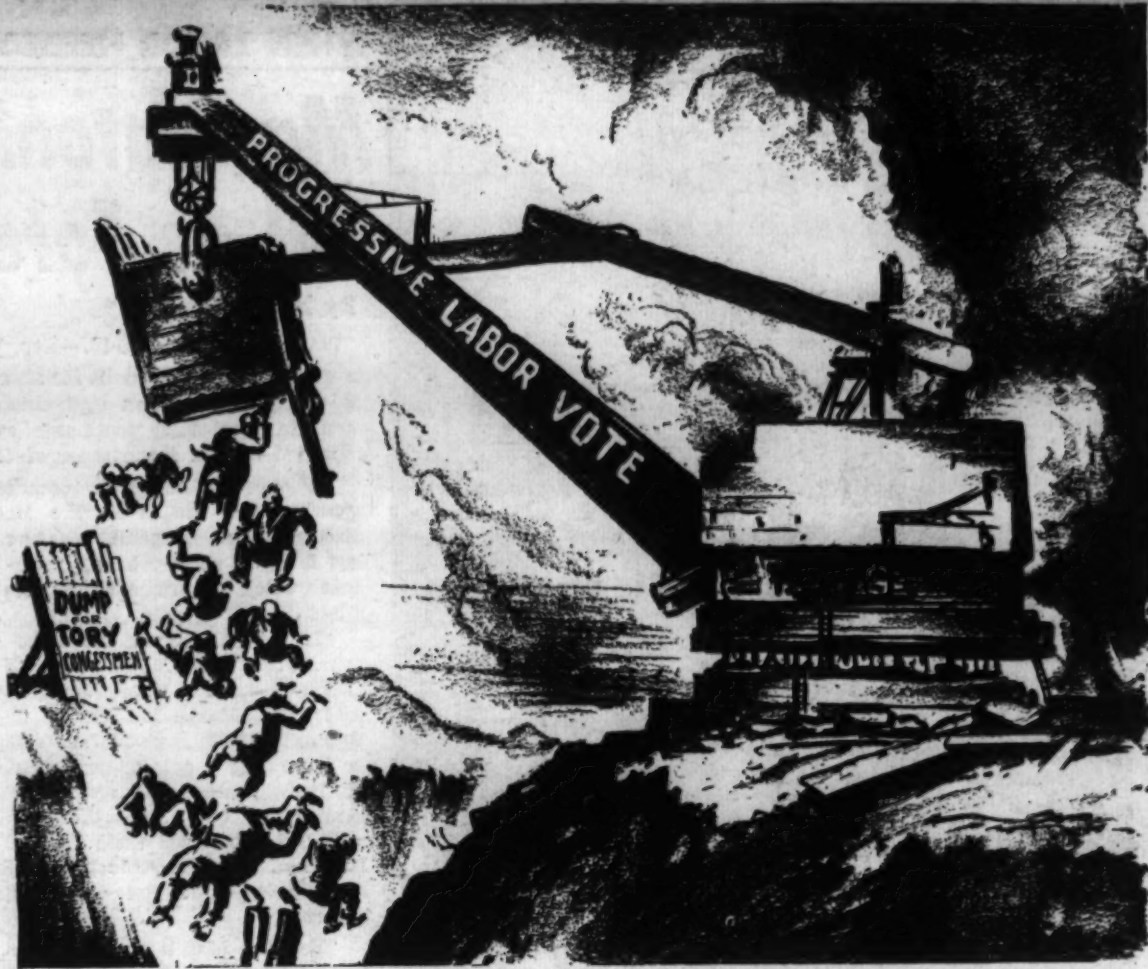
Never has such action been taken against any of the members of the Italian fascist government which led its own people down the terrible path of national disaster.

In our own country we are accustomed to the right of members of any church to participate in any political organization of their choice. If the precedent set by the excommunication of Stepinac's accusers were followed elsewhere, no church member would feel free to follow his own conscience in politics.

The action of the Vatican is a political act beyond the scope of religious authority.

It is a danger signal for democracy.

RECONSTRUCTION



Letters from Our Readers

Liked Article on Women

In Abolitionist Movement

Woodside, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

October 13th's Worker had an excellent article on women in the abolitionist movement. We need more information on the historical role of women in America. I'd like to commend Samuel Sillen for writing the article and hope he writes more of them.

E. R.

Vet Students Take Up Teachers' Fight

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am teaching at Bergen Junior College, Teaneck, N. J. When I came to school today, one of my fellow-teachers informed me that the college campus was "restless." One of the teachers had been dismissed by the dean, Dr. Kimball, because he had refused to accept some additional work.

We teachers at Bergen Junior College have to teach 18 to 21 hours every week, some of us up seven hours on some days. Most of us receive \$2,600 a year, and this includes a summer school.

The dismissed teacher turned immediately to his students for support and they called a meeting during class hours. Half of the students did not appear for class work.

The students had a long meeting and they formulated a program which they will present today to President Little and Dean Kimball. They demand the teacher be re-installed, his salary to be raised to \$3,000 and his hours of teaching have to be reduced to 15 a week.

The students, first of all the veterans who make up 80 percent or more of our student body, have a very good argument for their point of view. Bergen College is today not accepted as equal by other colleges, and the students feel that this situation has something to do with the extremely low salaries paid at Bergen.

As one of the students put it today in a private conversation with me: "Bergen College seems to be only interested in getting \$440 a year from us veterans."

W. M.

HOW COALITION CAN BEAT TORY CANDIDATES

By Max Gordon

(First of a Series)

A MARXIST PARTY BASES its strategy, or main objective at any particular stage in history, upon the existing social conditions. As Stalin put it, "strategy must base itself entirely on the data provided by the theory and program of Marxism."

The strategic aim of the Communist Party in the United States today, as developed at its last national convention and subsequent national committee meetings, is to prevent the realization of Wall Street's program of world oppression and domestic reaction.

THE OBJECTIVE conditions upon which this strategic aim is based are:

- (1) Monopoly capital in this country is the chief reactionary force operating in the world today.
- (2) On a world scale, it is striving to maintain and extend its domination, to suppress the forces of freedom and liberation everywhere, and to undermine the existence of the Socialist Soviet Union.

(3) At home it is trying to increase exploitation of labor, hamstringing the trade unions, destroy the political liberties of the people under cover of a hysteria about the "menace of Communism." To put it plainly, it is moving toward fascism.

The great majority of Americans oppose this reactionary program whether they recognize it as the aim of monopoly capital or not. To make them aware of it and to build a powerful unified movement of the people against it is the only way by which that program can be blocked.

THOUGH the Communists understand most clearly the world role and reactionary aims of monopoly capital, they are by no means alone. Large sections of the organized workers, middle classes, Negroes, farmers and others are also disturbed by these aims.

The tactics of the entire organized progressive movement, including the Communists, in these 1946 elections are shaped by the necessity to block this program of reaction.

Specifically, their tactical aims are:

- (1) To prevent the most aggressively imperialist, ruthless elements of monopoly capital from strengthening their grip on the nation through capture of complete control of Congress and the various state governments. These elements are represented chiefly

in the national Republican leadership and apparatus, but include also some Democrats, particularly from the polltax states.

THEIR DEFEAT requires, first, that all progressive fighters against monopoly running for office be assured of election; and second, that where there are contests between "middle-of-the-road" candidates who are responsive to progressive pressures and outright supporters of the program of reaction, the former be given full support.

(2) To organize the widest possible coalition of labor and its allies to function independently in the campaign behind its own political program which directly opposes the designs of reaction, a program such as was developed by the late President Roosevelt.

The elements of the coalition are the organized workers as its base, the working farmers, the middle classes and professionals, the Negro people, the veterans. To the extent that some political figures identified with capital accept the coalition program, they become part of it.

WHILE the current election tactics of the groups in the coalition calls for independent program and activity, it does not call for a third party. Such a party may appear to be the simplest way of solving the complex problems facing progressives in this election. The coalition has not, however, reached neither the necessary maturity or the organic strength at this point.

At the recent Chicago Conference of Progressives, which appeared to be a major step toward welding the elements of the coalition into an organic structure, the majority of participants, including most of those from labor, expressed opposition to a third party. They are still holding on to their ties to the two old parties.

Obviously, to split the coalition on this issue would have made it impossible to realize the tactical aims in this election: namely, the defeat of the candidates of the most reactionary sections of monopoly capital and the development of an independent political coalition based on labor.



The Ghoul of Wall Street: This graphic picketline sends shivers up and down the spines of Wall Street bankers. The pickets, members of the Financial Employees Guild, UOPWA-CIO, protest salaries at Bankers Trust, 14 Wall St. Another sign read "Bankers Trust Pays Graveyard Salaries."

Form Citizens Committee On Dept. Store Wages

Formation of a Citizens Committee for Decent Department Store Wages to publicize the plight of 45,000 men and women working in the "dressed up sweatshops" of New

Negro Leaders Back China Meet

Many Negro leaders and organizations are supporting the San Francisco Conference on China and the Far East, the National Committee to Win the Peace reported yesterday.

The conference set for this weekend, has been called by Brig. Gen. Elyan F. Carlson and a number of distinguished Americans in cooperation with the Win the Peace group and the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.

Among Negro leaders sponsoring the conference are Paul Robeson, co-chairman of the National Committee to Win the Peace, James E. Allen, Bertram Alves, Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Earl Dickerson, Dean Dixon, W. E. B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Canada Lee and Alain Locke.

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WHEN LABOR NEEDED ITS FRIENDS:

Marcantonio Fought Anti-Strike Bill as Forerunner of Fascism

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Rep. Vito Marcantonio, to whom labor gives credit for almost singlehandedly defeating the Truman anti-union bill, fought the measure with such passionate energy because he regarded it as a fore-runner of fascism.

In one of the most remarkable and moving speeches ever heard in the House, Marcantonio discussed the Truman measure last May 25, shortly before members voted overwhelmingly to adopt it.

"If you will permit me a personal note," said Marcantonio, "I cannot help but remember that after the March on Rome by Benito Mussolini, one of the edicts or laws that the last parliament of Italy passed was very, very similar to this legislation—the so-called labor syndicate law of Italy based on the same proposition and under the same guise—that you cannot strike against the government.

"Yes, the March on Rome was followed by that edict and, when the Italian parliament passed it, it passed itself out of existence."

The House had become stilled. In the chamber, members paused in their fumbling with papers and their whispered conversations and turned to listen. The galleries, packed with visitors, were quiet. Even the newsmen listened soberly.

"We are marching here toward the fascisizing of America. Free institutions can live only so long as there is a free labor movement. America can live as a democracy only as long as American workers are free and equal in the field of collective bargaining."

If the government sincerely wanted to end the railroad strike, it had only to seize the railroads and negotiate directly with the representatives of the workers, he said. If that had been done, the wheels would never have stopped turning.

"Instead we take sides, sides against labor, sides against the men and women who have made Amer-

ica, who have built it with toil—yes, they have built it with sacrifices and have been subjected to exploitation for years and have sought to save themselves by organization."

But the rights of labor to organize and bargain collectively were being stripped away.

Turning to the members, his dark hair flying, Marcantonio leveled an accusing finger.

"You are stripping it away because the press wants it. The press wants it because monopoly finance wants it."

Then, as the Speaker rapped his gavel to signal that his time was up, Marcantonio said with emotion: "God save the Congress of the United States from a repetition of what happened in the Italian parliament under Mussolini."

In his opening words, which were equally as dramatic as the closing, Marcantonio expressed his basic philosophy.

A member (who for the moment can be nameless) elected by workers' votes from an eastern city, took the floor to beat his breast, to declare his love for labor, and to urge Congress to pass the Truman strikebreaking, union-smashing bill.

"I think that we friends of labor must take our stand with the President of the United States," cried the member.

Marcantonio gazed at him sadly and then started to speak.

"Mr. Speaker, without casting any reflection on anyone, I cannot help but make the observation that it is perfectly easy to be a friend of labor when it is not unpopular to do so. The test is to demonstrate that friendship when labor needs its friends."

This has been a guiding principle in Marcantonio's career in Congress. When there are men or women members prepared to take the floor and lead the fight for people's rights, Marc is glad to take a back seat, avoiding the limelight but ready with advice on parliamentary strategy, at which he is a master.

When the going is tough and few dare to speak out for labor, that's when Vito Marcantonio can be counted on.



MARCANTONIO

Hearts and Flour

WAUKESHA, Wis., Oct. 16.—Mrs. Mary Klemp, 68, sought to retain ownership of 94 bars of soap and 250 pounds of flour as part of a divorce settlement.

Pepper Asks Bill of Economic Rights for South

ATLANTA, Oct. 16 (UP).—Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.) advocated a social and economic bill of rights for the South, asserting it is time for the Federal Government to equalize economic and social opportunities across the nation.

He urged federal aid to raise southern teachers' salaries and standards, and recommended hiking minimum wages, under the wage law, to 65 cents an hour.

In an address to the Georgia Citizens Conference, he said this region should share the benefits of a national health program, including health insurance, that it should get more funds for hospital care and medical research, and a medical training program.

He also urged a chain of TVAs for the South.

'Oust Bilbo' Dinner Here Tonight

The Civil Rights Congress will hold a dinner at the Hotel Pennsylvania tonight to rally support for a nationwide drive for action to remove Senator Bilbo from the Senate.

Among the speakers will be Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas (D-Cal.), Paul Robeson, Dashiell Hammett and Percy Greene, publisher of the Jackson, Miss., Advocate.



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SAM PEVZNER, editor Jewish Fraternist, will speak on "The Condition of World Jewry" at Concourse Lodge 521 JFPO, 1 E. 167th St., near Jerome Ave., 8:30 p.m. Adm. free. All welcome.

Tomorrow Manhattan

"WHAT HAPPENED at the Paris Peace Conference" and the issues before the coming meeting of the Big Four foreign ministers with Alan Max of the Daily Worker, Jefferson School, 575 Sixth Ave., cor. 16th St. 8:45 p.m. 50¢.

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"Every active trade union member and official can sell the 'Daily.' The workers see us in the shops. We help organize and win better working conditions. They respect us for knowing the score. But what I can't understand is why so many of our trade unionists fail to tell these workers where we get our information; where we learn how to organize and win better conditions. We keep giving people information and forget to tell them we got it from the 'Daily.'"

But Al doesn't forget. He told us about the Paint and Hardware Division of his local. Every committee member of the division subscribed to The Worker.

"And, what's more, the division officially endorsed The Worker as a labor paper which always fights in behalf of the trade unions," Al added.

Al didn't see why we thought he was doing such a great job. "It's something every trade unionist must do." Al is press director of the Communist Party Industrial sections of Manhattan. He's going after the clubs because he can't understand why so many of them keep their source of information and inspiration a secret—The Daily and Sunday Worker.

Al said he was pleased about the work of the industrial sections to date, but he hoped they'd step up to the tempo this week, which is a special sub drive week. And on Sunday, he added relentlessly, all members of industrial branches should turn up at the clubs in their home neighborhoods to canvass with their paper.

Longhi to Address B'klyn Youth Meet

Vincent J. Longhi, Republican-ALP candidate for Congress in the 12 District will speak on "The 1946 Election Issues in Action" at a rally of young citizens tomorrow (Friday), at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Lafayette and Atlantic Aves.

The meeting, sponsored by the Kings County Young Citizens Political Action Committee, will also hear Sam Kaplan, ALP-Democratic-Republican candidate from the 24th A. D. and Terry Rosenbaum, ALP candidate for state assembly in the 23rd A. D.

In Memoriam

IN MEMORY of my son, Lt. Leonard Witkin, who lost his life fighting the scum of humanity—Nazism and Fascism. I vow in his memory to continue the fight until we will rid our country and the rest of the world of the elements who bring misery and unhappiness to the vast majority of the human race.

JACOB WITKIN

8,000 MINERS STRIKE OVER RAW DEAL TO VET

Special to the Daily Worker

NESQUEHONING, Pa., Oct. 16.—The smoldering resentment of the anthracite miners has burst out into a strike affecting over 8,000 Panther Valley miners.

The immediate issue was refusal of the Lehigh Valley Coal and Navigation Company to rehire a veteran as a miner, paying some \$11 daily. The company insisted on keeping him on only as a company man, paying some \$7 daily.

The strike started in the Lansford local. It spread, with the sanction of the Panther Valley Mine Board to nine locals. Company excuse has been that the veteran was not a

qualified miner. This has been answered by the demand that the company replace unqualified men they have promoted to fire-bosses and similar high-paying work.

The strike started almost immediately after the UMW national convention which disregarded resolutions for price control, improvements in working conditions and other anthracite demands.

Underlying the strike is a deep resentment at the speed-up and the run-around the men have been getting from Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Kennedy, and other national officials on grievances.

Ever since the new contract last

May, the men have been demanding special provisions in the contract for low vein and rock work. The men say that Kennedy has not kept promises to take care of such issues.

Columbia Strikers Vote to Arbitrate

Striking Columbia University maintenance workers, members of the CIO Transport Workers Union Local 241, last night voted to submit all issues in the 15-day-old strike to arbitration, despite the refusal of Henry Schley, Columbia comptroller, to arbitrate the union shop.

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This letter is being sent to the owners of 15 big league baseball clubs, excluding Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers. We will publish all answers as we get them.

"Gentlemen:

"There are now five Negro players under contract with the Dodger organization. They have all sparked their clubs to highly successful seasons. Jackie Robinson's .349 batting average topped the International League and paced the Montreal Royals to the pennant and Little World Series championship. Montreal broke all previous minor league attendance records.

"These Negro stars were tremendous favorites with both the fans and players wherever they went. As you know, Jackie Robinson will be coming up with the '47 Dodgers and the other Negro players are slated for promotions further up in the Brooklyn chain.

"This paper wishes to direct three questions to you.

"(1). Would you recommend the signing of qualified Negro players to your organization?

"(2) Is your organization presently scouting the Negro talent available as it

does all other talent?

"(3) Don't you agree there is no room for discrimination because of race, color creed in the national pastime of our country?

"May we expect an answer from you? We will be happy to publish your position on these questions.

"Yours for full democracy in the game we all love.

"BILL MARDO,
"LESTER RODNEY,

"Editors, Daily Worker Sports Page."

On the Scoreboard

By Lester Rodney

THE BIG HAND you see above is going to keep pointing. For despite the victory of Jackie Robinson coming up to the big leagues next spring, Brooklyn is only one of the 16 big league clubs. None of the others have yet signified their intentions of signing Negro players.

It may be that some of the magnates are quietly making plans to do so. We'll be happy to discover that fact, if fact it be. The big league meetings take place in December. The question of Negro players is certain to be discussed, if not publicly, at least in policy-making caucuses between Commissioner Chandler and the magnates. It's the business of those interested in ending discrimination before the 1947 season to bring the question right smack into the open where it belongs and not give the magnates a chance to let it all slide by into the new season with nothing done. Or isolate Rickey and apply anti-Robinson pressure on Brooklyn.

RIGHT HERE in New York we have the New York Giants, with a ball park bordering on Harlem, a last-place team, no farm system and the strong possibility of developing into a chronic tail-ender. How old John McGraw, who once led the Giants to three straight pennants and tried unsuccessfully to keep a Negro infielder on his club, must be revolting.

IN CLEVELAND there is a new group of owners, starting clean. Right now in Cleveland there's also something new on the football field, of which the baseball people can hardly be unaware. That's the introduction of two Negro players with the professional Cleveland Browns, now running away with the All-American Conference race, and the biggest early season attendance records in history. The Indians, incidentally, finished a poor sixth. Manager Lou Boudreau played ball alongside of Negro players at the University of Illinois, and new assistant manager Bill McKechnie told us back in 1939: "I know of 20 Negro players good enough for the big leagues. I'd be happy to have them on my team if the owners said OK."

The Giants and the Indians are cited offhand to show the possibilities of strong local campaigns based solidly on team needs and fan demands. Also in the present picture lending punch to the renewed campaign to end baseball jimcrow completely is the national tour of Bobby Feller's big league stars and Satchell Paige's Negro stars.

The old alibies have been knocked into oblivion. They used to try "The players wouldn't get along" and "There's an unwritten ban." The players are getting along just fine and Brooklyn has ended any "unwritten ban." Time to turn on the heat.

Get It Over With Dept.

Ever since Tom McBride grounded to Schoendienst to end the World Series, this poor scribe has been assailed with raucous horse-laughs for having picked the wrong team. You'd almost think I had popped up against Brecheen in the eighth inning or taken that relay and studied the ball while Slaughter scored the winning run.

Actually, it all goes to show you. My boy Ted Williams, who hit over .340 in the regular season, punctured the ozone with an anemic .200 in the series. Mardo's man, Harry Walker, limped through the season with .239 and sprouts out with .412 for the series. Whatya gonna do? Is it logical? No. Is it scientific? No.

The Cards had the spirit. Slaughter's dash home typified the difference between the clubs. The Sox, accustomed to overpowering their American League opponents, were essentially a conservative team, playing it safe. The Cards, who had to fight bitterly to eke out their pennant, were a team accustomed to press for every advantage, whether it was in the book or not. It just didn't occur to the Sox that Slaughter MIGHT keep running. It just didn't occur to me that the Cards had some things the season's records didn't show and MIGHT beat the "superior" Sox. Finis. Let's have no more boos.

STAN MUSIAL was the first Card out of the dressing room. He was catching a plane to join Bobby Feller. Feller's All-Stars on their tour with Satchell Paige's Negro stars. He'll get \$7,500, about twice his World Series cut.

Gonzales Quits Cards

Mike Gonzales, Card third-base coach, resigned yesterday. He says he intends to manage a team in the Cuban Winter League. Mike has

had a 34-year career in the big leagues as player, coach and scout. His most famous phrase came in the latter capacity when he sized up a bush leaguer in a four-word tele-graph: "Good field—no hit."

Enos' Dash Is The Big Talk

The "extra base" dash of Enos Slaughter which won the World Series for the St. Louis Cardinals when shortstop Johnny Pesky "froze" with the ball, promised yesterday to become one of the most widely-discussed plays in the history of the classic.

The run came in the 8th inning with the score tied 3-3, two out and Slaughter on first. Harry Walker delivered in the clutch with a double. Leon Culberson, in center field, seemed to juggle the ball momentarily before firing it to Pesky.

What happened then still hasn't been argued to a complete decision, and probably never will.

For Slaughter, running like a frightened jackrabbit, was heading home from third and a quick, accurate throw to the plate would have caught him. But Pesky, after a fatal split second of indecision, threw wide as Slaughter hooked safely in with a great slide.

Pesky simply couldn't believe Slaughter would try for the plate.

Columbia Aims For 'Card' Upset

As the football season emerges from the dying huzzahs for the Cards, local interest is centered on Saturday's Columbia-Army game at West Point. The awesome Cadet 11, boasting the greatest duo of backs

in tiptop shape. Ventan Yablonski, plunging back and place-kick specialist, is still limping a little, but will be ready. Little Don Kasprzak, whose brilliant passing with a wet ball baffled the Elis, was hitting the mark, as was halfback Rossides, the running ace of Erasmus High. Kusserow was breaking through in scrimmage and the fast developing, hard running sub backs, Nork and Olson, continued to impress.

The Lions are not being taken lightly up at the Point, you can be sure. They have shown they are dangerous, even if they don't rate 1-2-3 nationally. Yet.

But so were the Red Sox favored over the Cards, and nobody up at Columbia, least of all Lou Little and the team, showed any indication yesterday of conceding defeat. The team ran briskly through a sharpening of all offensive weapons, and in the first secret session of the year undoubtedly tacked a few new ones on the repertoire.

Despite the bruising, win over Yale last Saturday, the Lions are

WOR—Gabriel Heatter
WABC—Dick Haymes Show
WMCA—Labor Arbitration Forum
WQXR—News; Concert Hall
9:05—WAAT (970 Kc)—Labor Views the News—UE-CIO
9:15—WOR—Real Life Stories
9:30—WEAF—Jack Haley Show
WOR—By Popular Demand
WJZ—Take It From There
WABC—Crime Photographer
WQXR—Author Meets the Critic
10:00—WEAF—Abbott and Costello, Comedy
WOR—Football—Eddie Dooley
WJZ—Sammy Kaye Orchestra
WABC—Radio Readers Digest
WMCA—News; Football Review
WQXR—News; Recorded Album
10:15—WOR—Scout About Town
10:30—WEAF—Eddie Cantor Show
WOR—The Symphonette
WJZ—Bob Elson, Interview
WABC—Phone Again Finnegan—Comedy, With Frank McHugh
WMCA—Liberal Party Talk
WQXR—Just Music
11:00—WEAF—News; Music
WOR—News; Dance Music
WJZ, WABC—News, Music
WMCA—News; Recorded Music

RADIO

WMCA—580 Kc.
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WNEW—1130 Kc.
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EVENING

8:00—WEAF—News; Music
WOR—Frank Kingdom, Comment
WJZ—News; Kierman's Corner
WABC—News—Harry Marble
WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—News; Music to Remember
8:15—WEAF—Democratic Political Talk
WOR—Bob Elson, Interview
WJZ—Ethel and Albert—Sketch
WABC—In My Opinion
8:25—WQXR—Here, There in New York
8:30—WEAF—Democratic Party Talk
WOR—News—Fred Vandeventer
WJZ—Allen Prescott
WABC—Sports—Red Barber
WMCA—Racing Results
WQXR—Dinner Concert
8:40—WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
8:45—WEAF—Lowell Thomas
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Here's Morgan
WABC—Robert Trout, News
WMCA—Sports Resumé
7:00—WEAF—Supper Club Variety
WOR—Fulton Lewis Jr., Comment
WJZ—Headline Edition
WABC—Mystery of the Week
WQXR—News; Recorded Music
7:15—WEAF—News of the World
WOR—The Answer Man
WJZ—Raymond Swing, News
WABC—Jack Smith Show
WMCA—Five-Star Final
7:30—WEAF—Dennis Day Show
WOR—Arthur Hale
WJZ—Professor Quiz
WABC—Mr. Keen—Play
WMCA—Raymond Walsh
WQXR—Recorded Rarities
7:45—WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt
WHN—J. Steel
8:00—WEAF—Fashions in Melody
WABC—The Aldrich Family
WOR—Sound Off—Mark Warnow
WJZ—Lum 'n' Abner
WABC—Suspense—Play
WMCA—News; U.N. Records
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
8:15—WJZ—Erwin D. Canham, News
8:30—WEAF—Burns and Allen, Comedy
WOR—Political Speech
WJZ—Town Meeting
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ART
TodayA QUICK LOOK
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AROUND
TOWN

by Marion Summers

The art market has been feeling the effects of the stock slump. American culture is apparently pegged to the dollar, like a tail to a kite. But in spite of the antics of the kite, the artist goes about the job of creating beauty as if nothing were amiss. There are just as many galleries with just as many one-man shows. The artist continues to work just as diligently, just as well and just as blindly, but the return this year is going to be much slimmer. The hopeful are looking forward to November. After elections, the word is, things will settle down. To what? Meanwhile—57th Street is whistling its ghosts away.

At the Perls Galleries, Tschacbasov is showing some recent paintings. Tschacbasov is a fine artist and also an erratic one. He can paint a good picture or part of a good picture, then forget himself and turn out a pot boiler or louse up a fine beginning. He can imbue paint with a rich emotional quality, but as with so many expressionists it is not always clear what the emotion is about.

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More recently he has fallen into the vague symbolic clichés prevalent among a good number of modern artists. These birds, fish, beautiful shoe-eyed women and an occasional bouquet of flowers are apparently supposed to express a deep emotional experience with important philosophical overtones. Aside from this excess baggage, Tschacbasov's paintings are highly decorative and brilliantly colored pictures. He is capable of so fine and strong a painting as the *Clown*, but only on occasion. He has become a little overly fond of red, and a sentimentalized version of a harem beauty floats around without much reason in too many of his pictures. In spite of his erratic inconsistencies

Tschacbasov is still a painter of ability and passion.

Over at the Willard Gallery, Peter Grippe is exhibiting water-colors and sculpture which are characteristic of a great deal of abstract art these days. They are nothing more than exercises for a course in fundamentals of design. Each one is a carefully worked out demonstration of some problem in space, form or color, all done without feeling or real understanding. They are in aggregate about as interesting as a group of descriptive geometry plates.

Joseph Albers has a meager little show at the Egan Gallery, but these few abstract prints are enough to show that here at least is an original experimenter in the field of abstract design. He is too cold and mathematical to be really exciting, and he often seems concerned merely with scientific research into the laws of vision. Within rigidly restricted limits, however, he has produced not only solutions to problems of vision, but some elegant designs as well.

Adams W. Garrett, now exhibiting at the ACA Gallery, is a painter of some sensitivity and talent. He has a warm humor which at its best has a robust folk quality. Unfortunately he has a tendency to slip into the cute illustrative anecdote, a tendency characteristic of most regional art in America. His pictures are crammed with the rich incident of mid-western farm life and have an air of authenticity. Garrett paints with subtlety and a good deal of richness. But with all his warmth, keen observation and skill, he does not satisfy completely. His pictures depend either too much upon anecdote or too much upon adroitness with paint. He has as yet failed to achieve an adequate integration. One comes away with the feeling that what he says is interesting but not very important.

Leading Musicians Blast
Tom Clark's Iron Curtain

By Samuel Sillen

The Justice Department's boorish behavior toward visiting Soviet artists, described in this column last week, has evoked a strong protest from four prominent musicians.

The letter of protest addressed to Attorney General Tom C. Clark declares: "It seems inconceivable that a department of our government should act in such a way as to set a precedent which will completely block the normal and necessary exchange of cultural representatives between the richly endowed nations of the world."

Signers of the protest were Serge Koussevitzky, conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Howard Hanson, head of the Eastman School of Music; Douglas Moore, chairman of the music department of Columbia University, and Aaron Copland, composer.

OUTRAGEOUS
DEMANDS

These distinguished American musicians are outraged by the demand of the Department of Justice that two visiting Ukrainian singers register as "foreign agents." The visiting musical artists, the first to come here since the end of the war, were Zoya Haidal, soprano, and Ivan Patorzhinsky, basso, members of the Kiev State Opera. Their concert at Town Hall a week ago last Saturday was enthusiastically praised by the reviewers.

Since these artists came here not as agents of their government but as private citizens in their capacity as artists, they refused to comply with Tom Clark's order that they register as "foreign agents." Like the distinguished Soviet playwright Alexander Korneichuk, they have left the country.

And it is the country that suffers from Tom Clark's efforts to throw an iron curtain around American culture.

Revive Blitzstein's
'Cradle Will Rock'

Charles Dubin, assistant to Moss Hart in his new play *The World of Christopher Blake* has announced that he will revive the Marc Blitzstein musical *The Cradle Will Rock*. The production will go into rehearsal in late December under the auspices of the Equity Library Theatre. The play has not been done professionally in New York since 1939. Mr. Dubin will announce casting at a later date.

City Theatre's
Current Show

Patrick Hamilton's thriller *Gaslight*, starring Ingrid Bergman and Charles Boyer and *Between Two Worlds*, remake of Sutton Vane's *Outward Bound*, featuring John Garfield and Paul Henreid, make up the revival bill at the 14th St. City Theatre starting today.

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As the American musicians say in their letter to Clark, copies of which have been sent to President Truman and Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson:

"We feel that this is a matter which cannot be overlooked by this nation or by the world."

"It seems unrepresentative of the spirit of musical culture in the United States, which has from its very beginning been notably international-minded and hospitable to foreign artists."

"We therefore hope that you will give the utmost of your personal attention to this action, which, if it is forming the future policy of our government and our nation toward cultural representatives of the rest of the world, can lead to nothing but similar action on their part and disaster to international culture."

ANTI-SOVIET
PREJUDICE

Until they were unceremoniously shown the door by deportation-minded Tom Clark, the singers were scheduled to appear in Cleveland, Boston and Pittsburgh. They were invited here by a number of groups, including the American-Soviet Music Society.

This episode, like that involving Alexander Korneichuk, makes a mockery of the State Department's pretensions to a program of "cultural cooperation."

In demanding that every singer, writer or actor who visits this country must sign as an official agent of his government, American policy makers are laying an effective basis for a ban on cultural interchange.

The next logical step is a checkup on American citizens who own short-wave radio receiving sets.

And then an order that musical programs must exclude the works of Prokofiev and Shostakovich.

This is what the pro-war, anti-Soviet mentality leads to. There is a word for this kind of thing.

The protest by Koussevitzky, Hanson, Moore and Copland undoubtedly expresses the feelings of most American musicians. Let us hope that this is only an initial protest and that many hundreds of American artists will join in a serious public campaign against Tom Clark's iron-curtain policy.

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Film Front

Hollywood Strike

By David Platt

Seven hundred members of the 16th C.D. Section of the Los Angeles Communist Party have pledged to attend no movies made by unfair major studios for the duration of the strike, Emil Freed, CP chairman announced following unanimous vote of the section executive committee.



ACTORS' DECISION

The Screen Actors Guild voted 2,748 to 509 to cross picketlines of the CSU (Conference of Studio Unions) strikers. A motion by actor Ward Bond for more police protection in going through the lines was defeated. Gene Kelly, Howard da Silva and Clarence Muse led the fight against it. "These guys work alongside us," Kelly said, referring to the striking carpenters, painters, electricians and machinists. "We drink beer with them. We can't ask for more cops to beat them up." A motion to respect the picketlines, made by Karen Morley, was heavily defeated, although Guild attorneys explained that actors who refused to go through the lines would be defended in court if the producers took action against them. Frank Sinatra shocked many of his friends by speaking sharply in favor of going through the lines. "I have a contract with MGM and these guys are not going to stop me from going to work."

The Screen Writers Guild put the question of crossing or not crossing picketlines squarely up to the individual writer. The Guild resolved, however, that any writer who is discharged for refusing to go through the lines would receive the full legal support of the organization. Several such cases are already on record.

LAST 9 DAYS

SOMETHING TO SEE: 6th Week

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B'klyn Dems Aid Upstate Drive on CP

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Oct. 16.—Brooklyn machine Democrats intervened directly today in a last-minute effort to bolster the tottering legal case against the Communist Party's right to a place on the ballot. Local Democratic organizations under reactionary leaders, acting for Spencer Young,

Democratic nominee for state Comptroller, are trying to invalidate the Communist state petitions naming Robert Thompson for Comptroller and Councilman Benjamin J. Davis for Attorney General. The case was adjourned until 4 p.m.,

tomorrow in the Supreme Court here after two members of the Brooklyn Democratic law committee had appeared as witnesses.

The two, Benjamin H. Schor and Harold L. Fisher, both lawyers, claimed they had personally checked the Orange County registration books for 1946 against the 211 signers of the Communist petition from that county and had found only 49 had registered this year.

Under the law, a petition must have at least 50 valid signatures from each county. If a signer did not register for the coming election, his signature is not valid.

Schor, who did the bulk of testifying, admitted under cross-examination by Communist attorney Joseph R. Brodsky, that he did not know whether any of the signers had moved and registered from another address; whether any woman signer had married between signing and registration and had registered under her married name; or whether the books from which he checked were accurate.

Brooklyn machine Democrats' interest in knocking the Communist Party off the ballot is believed to spring from the fact that one of their number, Councilman Anthony Di Giovanna, is Democratic candidate for Attorney General against

Councilman Davis.

They believe if Councilman Davis is knocked off, many of those who would otherwise vote Communist will vote for Di Giovanna on the ALP line since he is also the ALP nominee.

Asked by Paul J. Kern, associate counsel for the Communist Party whether Di Giovanna was part of the Democratic organization in Brooklyn, Fisher answered fervently:

"He certainly is."

Schor and Fisher were the only two witnesses to testify. Following their testimony, Supreme Court Justice William H. Murray reserved decision on several motions to strike their testimony from the record. He granted a request of attorneys for the Communist Party for 24 hours to refute the evidence relating to Orange County.

The witness said that two of the 211 signatures came from another county and that one had given a wrong address. Attorneys for the Communist Party indicated they would insist upon the validity of these signatures on the grounds that the other side had agreed to rest its case last week except for the registration issue.

Besides the matter of registration in Orange County, the only attack

on the Communist petitions consists of affidavits from some petition signers in three other counties to the effect they did not know what they had signed. The courts have ruled in the past that such affidavits are not admissible as evidence.

Schor's testimony indicated he had gotten cooperation from the Democratic chairman in Orange County, Thomas Cullen. The man who got him and Fisher to do the job, he testified, was Charles Kerner, also of the Brooklyn Democratic law committee.

SHIPOWNERS REFUSE TO RESUME MARITIME TALKS

Wireless to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 16.—

Members of the striking CIO Marine Engineers' negotiating committee headed for their home ports today after shipowners refused to resume talks with the union and Labor Department.

In a wire to Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach, the union said it was shocked to find the Maritime Commission and Labor Department

unable to force the shipowners to renew negotiations.

The union noted the shipowners are largely subsidized by the government and said it was the Labor Department's responsibility to use its authority. The strike was in its 16th day today.

Previously Schwellenbach had asked the engineers to stay in town and wait until the shipowners designated their readiness to return here for talks.

Gallup Was Wrong Last Time, Capital Democrats Recall

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Democratic national headquarters here are not terribly worried by Gallup Poll predictions of disaster for Democrats Nov. 5. George Gallup, director of the poll, has been wrong before and a spokesman for the party today said he's

wrong now.

It was recalled that in 1944 Gallup predicted Dewey would defeat Roosevelt, only to be proved wrong by 333 electoral votes. Subsequently at a Congressional hearing Gallup admitted that he arbitrarily "made adjustments" in the data supplied him by canvassers. The effect of his adjustments was to transform figures indicating a Roosevelt victory into a prediction of a Roosevelt defeat.

Democratic headquarters were obviously not complacent as to election prospects, but as one spokesman put it, the heavy registration in New York and other states definitely favors the Democrats.

Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn in a news conference referred to reports of increased registration and declared "the bigger the vote, the better it will be for us." Democrats had a "rough time" in 1942 because of the small vote, he said, but came back strong in 1944 when voters turned out en masse. "The question now is whether or not the people will come out and vote."

If the high registration figures are an indication of the volume of voting to be expected Nov. 5, Democrats will retain control of the House by 25 to 50 votes, he said.

DUQUESNE STRIKERS AGAIN DEMONSTRATE THEIR UNITY

By Calvin Brook

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 16.—Duquesne Light Co. workers, confronted with another test, again demonstrated that their unity remains unshaken in face of continued attacks.

In a NLRB election requested by District 50, of the United Mine Workers, production workers gave an overwhelming majority to the striking union. The results: Independent union 958; District 50, 261; CIO Public Utility Workers, 80; AFL Brotherhood, 116; no union 11. Of 1,725 eligible voters, 1,426 participated in the election.

A CIO Utility Workers' statement shortly before the election declared that they have "reluctantly intervened in the election."

The Utility Workers Union condemns the action of the 'catch-all' District 50 in the filing of the petition with NLRB while you were engaged in a tremendous struggle with the company, and warns you to denounce this outfit," the union said.

The election was a climax to a whole series of attacks during the week, including the organization of a strike-breaking back-to-work meeting in which Mayor David L. Lawrence allowed himself to become involved.

The victory of the striking union will give further impetus to demands by the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* that the company make a new offer. Leo T. Crowley, head of Standard Gas & Electric which controls Duquesne Light, is in town.

The power strike is in its 23rd day.



AMERICAN ARMY hangman, M/Sgt. John C. Woods, San Antonio, Tex., was in charge of the hangings of the convicted Nazi war criminals.

Radio Group Wants Personnel, Scripts

Writers, directors, administrators, producers and actors are wanted by the radio committee of the Theodore Dreiser Cultural Workshop, whose aim is to produce programs on recordings for use by clubs and unions, as well as radio broadcasts. Personnel is needed that wants to work on a long-time basis. Professional radio background is desirable but not essential.

Applicants will be received tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 p.m. and every Thursday night thereafter at the Workshop, 106 E. 14th St., New York City.

LABOR BRIEFS

JOHN L. LEWIS' union-raiding District 50 had to backtrack on its boast that it would get more for its 900 members on the Long Island Railroad than was won by the Railroad Brotherhoods in last June's strike. A fact finding board ruled changes in rail working rules cannot be awarded until next May—which is the next big fight for which rail workers are uniting, John L. Lewis notwithstanding.

TWENTY CENTS AN HOUR increase is the demand of 10,000 UE-CIO Local 430 members in new negotiations with the Electronics Manufacturers Association. Based on the rise in living costs, the increase is being sought under a wage reopening clause.

CALLING WALTER WINCHELL: As the man who once a week tells all, you've been holding back something about your boss, Jergens Lotion. Right in your own backyard, in Burbank, Cal., AFL Teamsters have been on strike for eight months against Jergens for violating a War Labor Board decision calling for union recognition and wage increases.

Capture 9 Leaders Of French Nazi Group

PARIS, Oct. 16.—Nine leaders of a French "Nazi resistance organization" said to be "devoted to the rebirth of National Socialism in Europe," have been arrested, police announced today.

The nine suspects were arrested as the result of police inquiries into "Le Combattant Européen," clandestine newspaper of the organization. A recent issue of the newspaper proclaimed that the war is not over and called on "all those who for six years have defended our civilization to regroup themselves and refuse to admit defeat."

3 Tag Days For Spain Refugees Begin Today

Three thousand volunteers will canvass New York today, tomorrow and Saturday to raise funds for the relief of Spanish Republican refugees in France, Dorothy Parker, Chairman of the collection conducted under the auspices of the Spanish Refugee Appeal announced yesterday.

The collection will be officially opened at an open-air rally today at 38th St. and 7th Ave. at noon in the garment area.

Dorothy Parker stated, "Another winter of cold and hunger faces the Spanish Republican refugees. I appeal to you to share with these gallant men and women and their little ones as much as you can spare. We hope that this is the last winter that they will have to spend in exile and that we will greet them next year in a free and democratic Spain."

IWO Supports Spain Refugee Tag Days

To support the Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee Tag Day, the City Central Committee of the International Workers Order has called the IWO membership in New York to participate in the Tag Days for today, tomorrow and Saturday.

The City Central Committee noted the fact that the funds collected will go to aid the refugees of Franco's fascist Spain and calls upon all members to obtain boxes for the Tag Day at the office of the City Central Committee, 80 Fifth Ave., 16th floor.

U. S. Attache Kills 2 Iran Tribesmen

A military attache at the American Embassy in Teheran, Iran, killed two Iranian tribesmen and wounded two others, a British Broadcasting Company report monitored today by NBC in New York, said.

Rockwell Kent Hits Slur to Soviet Artists

Rockwell Kent has added his voice to the growing volume of protest reaching the Department of Justice because of its demand that the Ukrainian cultural delegation recently in this country register as foreign agents.

In a letter to Attorney General Tom Clark, Kent charged the department with a deliberate and gratuitous affront to Soviet citizens, declaring that the "one intention of the five Ukrainian artists in accepting the invitation to come here for a brief tour was to promote better understanding between the people of the Soviet Union and the people of the United States."

B-29 Sets Record

WESTOVER FIELD, Mass., Oct. 16.—The B-29 Pacusan Dreamboat flew non-stop from Paris to Westover Field today in 12 hours and 25 minutes, setting a new speed record from Paris to the United States.

WEATHER:

Partly Cloudy
And
Warm